CHAPTER NO. 54

HOUSE BILL NO. 2000

By Representative Bone

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 1994

By Senator Rochelle

AN ACT to amend Chapter 187 of the Private Acts of 1937; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the Charter of the City of Watertown.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 187 of the Private Acts of 1937, and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the Charter of the City of Watertown, is amended in Section 12 by designating the existing language as Sub-Section 1, and by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

Sub-Section 2. Upon the effective date of this act, the next election for Mayor and Aldermen of said city under this Act shall be held at the general election conducted in November, 2000, and subsequently shall be held at the general election in November of even-numbered years. Persons currently serving as Mayor and Aldermen shall continue to serve until their successors are elected pursuant to this Sub-Section. The terms of the members of the City Council elected pursuant to the November, 2000, election shall be as follows: The three (3) members receiving the highest number of votes shall be elected for four (4) years; the other members shall be elected for two (2) years. Thereafter the terms of all members of the City Council shall be for four (4) years. Beginning with the November, 2000, election the term of the Mayor shall be four (4) years.

SECTION 2 This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Legislative Body of the City of Watertown. Its approval or non-approval shall be proclaimed by the Presiding Officer of the City of Watertown and certified to the Secretary of State.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.

PASSED: May 28, 1999

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